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1. ON INITIATIVE OF FRENCH AMBASSADOR THE FRENCH AND FRG
AMBASSADORS AND THE BRITISH AND AMERICAN CHARGES MET THIS
AFTERNOON (AUGUST 2) WITH NUJOMA AND OTHER MEMBERS OF SWAPO
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DELEGATION. FRENCH AMBASSADOR HAD RECEIVED CABLE YESTERDAY FROM
THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR IN LUANDA REQUESTING HIM TO ORGANIZE THE
ARRIVAL AND RECEPTION IN LAGOS OF THE DELEGATION, WHICH
ARRIVED HERE LAST NIGHT.

2. AFTER EXPRESSING HIS GRATITUDE TO THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR FOR
ALERTING THE NIGERIAN AUTHORITIES TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE

ARRANGEMENTS, NUJOMA SAID THAT HE WELCOMED THE INITIATIVE WHICH THE 5 WESTERN POWERS HAVE TAKEN TO ASSIST THE UN, WHICH HAS BEEN STRUGGLING SO LONG WITH AN UNCOOPERATIVE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TO ACHIEVE THE RIGHTS OF THE NAMIBIAN PEOPLE. SWAPO NOW FEELS THAT "THE WHOLE WORLD IS BEHIND US" AND IT IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE BACKING OF THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH ARE IN THE BEST POSITION TO INFLUENCE THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT ON THIS QUESTION.

3. NUJOMA'S PRINCIPAL INTEREST IN THE MEETING, HOWEVER, WAS TO ARRANGE THE MOST RAPID TRANSPORTATION POSSIBLE TO THE US FOR HIS DELEGATION, WHICH HE SAID TOTALED 6 RPT 6 PERSONS. HE WAS ANXIOUS TO TRAVEL, FIRST CLASS IF POSSIBLE, ON THE BRITISH CALEDONIAN FLIGHT TO LONDON TONIGHT OR THE LUFTHANSA FLIGHT TO EUROPE TOMORROW. BOTH THESE FLIGHTS ARE FULLY BOOKED. THE FRG AMBASSADOR AND THE BRITISH CHARGE PROMISED TO TRY AND OBTAIN SEATS, BUT NEITHER ONE ANTICIPATES SUCCESS. NUJOMA SPOKE AS THOUGH THE DELEGATION WOULD BE ABLE AS A LAST RESORT TO TAKE THE PAN AM FLIGHT 197 WHICH LEAVES ACCRA AT 11:00 THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, AND ARRIVES NEW YORK AT 1915 THAT EVENING. HOWEVER, HE DID NOT CLEARLY ANSWER MY QUERY WHETHER THE DELEGATION HAS RESERVATIONS AND I SUSPECT THAT IT DOES NOT.

4. I PASSED ON TO NUJOMA THE INFORMATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS IN NEW YORK CONTAINED IN REFTEL.

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5. FOR ACCRA. REQUEST THAT YOU VERIFY FROM PAN AM WHETHER NUJOMA HAS A RESERVATION FOR THURSDAY'S FLIGHT. IF NOT, REQUEST THAT YOU BOOK RESERVATIONS, FIRST CLASS IF POSSIBLE, FOR NUJOMA AND 5 OTHER SWAPO OFFICIALS, WHOSE NAMES WE CAN SUPPLY LATER. PLEASE INFORM STATUS OF RESERVATIONS SOONEST.
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